

OREGON CITIES OF Eugene, Gresham, Hood River, Pendleton, Portland

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Google Fiber for Communities Program

Dear Google,

As representatives of Oregon cities responding to Google's Fiber for Communities Initiative we know that the quality of our information and communications technology (ICT) increasingly defines our future economic opportunity and ability to remain competitive both regionally and globally. We want to thank Google for showing leadership in ultra high speed broadband deployment and to assure you that all of the responding Oregon cities are enthusiastic and ready to pull out all the stops to work with Google, if selected, to ensure that this creative, welcome and much-needed initiative is a great success. That is why we encourage Google to select one or more of the responding Oregon cities for this initiative. Ultimately, we applaud and support any level of Google broadband initiative and investment in Oregon, wherever it might occur, and all of us are committed to working with Google, and with each other wherever necessary, to support a Google deployment here.

Oregonians have long been pioneers of and advocates for innovation, including opensource, open platform telecommunications and information technologies and will readily engage in an opportunity to deploy, develop and utilize Google's pioneering broadband network. Please accept this letter of support for the project applications from Oregon cities to the Google Broadband Fiber for Communities Program and know that Oregon cities are fully supportive of each other and Google's efforts.

Once again, thank you for your leadership in addressing this critical national infrastructure challenge.

Sincerely,

Mayor Kitty Piercy C Eugene Mayor Shane Bemis

Gresham

Mayor Arthur Babitz

Hood River

Mayor Phil Houk

Pendleton

Portland